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For: TELESCOPIC SHAFT FOR VEHICLE STEERING

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Sir:

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COMMENTS ON DOCUMENT AL (WO 99/08920)

Drawings and Abstract of WO 99/08920 show that needles are disposed between a tube and a shaft.

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